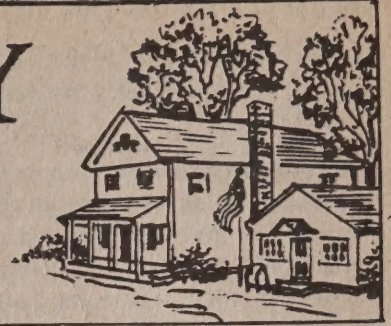


MONTEREY NEWS

MAY 1989



TOWN NEWS

Town Meeting, 1989

In addition to the usual items on the Town Meeting warrant, this year there are six ballot items which need further explanation. There might be a brief discussion of these items allowed before the polls open on Saturday morning, May 6, but after that, no discussion may be made. Elsewhere in the *Monterey News* you will find a letter from the Finance Committee and Selectmen giving their rationale for what they call "exclusion votes."

The exclusion votes will be made to determine whether voters are willing to allow the Town to exclude six substantial expenditures from the limitations of Proposition 2½. Each of these expenditures may legally be excluded because they all fall into the category of capital expense, rather than normal operating costs. The special expenses include a state-mandated revaluation of all real estate in Monterey, a computer which will handle this elaborate and tedious job in the future, three separate school district costs (annual capital costs, existing school debt payments, and the new obligation for construction and renovation at the high school), and a new road grader.

A noteworthy advantage of excluding school bond issues from 2½ limits is that these expenses will automatically remain outside the limit throughout future years, which, in the case of the new high school, number twenty.

The new computer recommended for facilitating real estate revaluation will also be capable of storing vital information such as site maps, boundaries, setback distances and septic

capacities, which are now dispersed in various files and are sometimes only accessible through the memories of long-time Town officials. It will save many hours and dollars required now for the work of revaluation, and will provide complete records for Town boards who are asked to issue permits for new construction or renovation on existing lots.

According to Selectman Rick Mielke, the Roads and Machinery Committee cut its Highway Capital (road surfacing) budget from \$50,000 to zero to compensate for the high cost of a new road grader. Mielke says the present grader has been repaired and "wired together" for the last twenty years and just can't go on any longer.

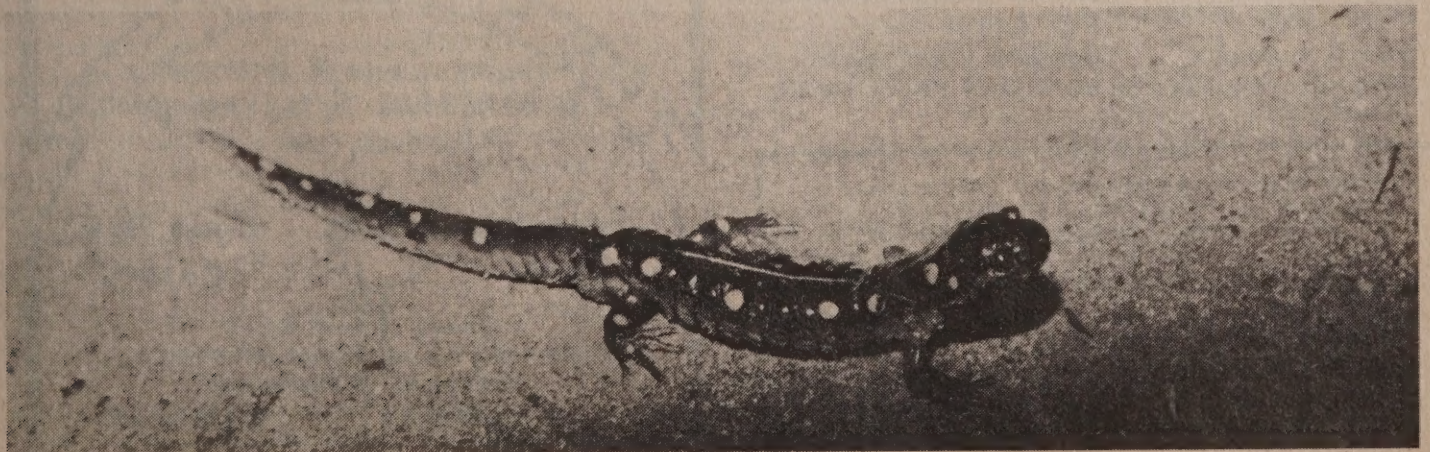
Elsewhere in the Town Budget you'll notice a rise in Town office expenses, having to do with general maintenance as well as a special article for the construction of an access ramp to the building. Police protection and facilities are up, due to a recommended raise in salaries. There is a special article requesting bulletproof vests for the four officers.

The Fire Company is asking for \$7,000 worth of turnout gear. There is a request for \$16,470 for a diagnostic study of the efficacy of drawdown on Lake Garfield.

There will be a vote to approve a by-law requiring dogs to be restrained within the bounds of their owner's property, complete with fines for first, second and subsequent offenses.

For a list of the candidates for election to office see p. 00.

— Ellen K. Pearson



A spotted salamander en route from a vernal pool to a pond in April

SPECIAL NOTE TO THE VOTERS OF MONTEREY

The Selectmen and the Finance Committee urge all voters to consider the following in preparing for the May 6 Annual Town Meeting.

The Selectmen and the Finance Committee have spent hours this year looking carefully at the Town's budget. As you examine the Warrant, you will notice the "Recommended Budget" column, which is unanimously endorsed by both boards. At worst, it appears that our operating budget will increase by only 1.4%. We are, however, faced with many special expenditures in addition to normal operating costs. These special expenditures include:

Revaluation of real estate	43,800
Computer related to revaluation	12,900
Current school capital costs	16,003
Existing school debt payments	13,560
Road grader with plow	100,000

The operating budget plus these five special expenditures cannot be funded within the limitations of Proposition 2½. The entire budget can be funded, however, if the voters support excluding the above list of special expenditures from the limitations of 2½.

The sixth exclusion vote (not listed above) is a special case. It does not refer to any expenditure needed for FY90, the budget for July 1989-90. The Town has already voted with the other towns in the Southern Berkshire Regional School District to support the renovation of certain school buildings and the construction of others. In supporting this sixth exclusion vote, we shall enable the Town to fund debt payments for this large school project outside the 2½ limitations. The strength of our support will enable the school district to get a higher-rated bond with lower interest. This will cost the Town less money in the end.

Each of the six possible exclusions will be a ballot question to be voted on in the voting booth during Town Meeting. We believe each of these special expenditures is important for the Town. Therefore, we urge you to consider voting "Yes" on the six exclusion questions.

If you have any questions concerning these recommendations, please feel free to call any of the individuals listed below.

Sheldon E. Fenn	Matt O. Williams, Chairman
Virgil Stucker	Rick Mielke
Barbara A. Gauthier	Georgiana C. O'Connell

FINANCE COMMITTEE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

RICHARD SHERIDAN

**Seasonal Caretaking
Landscaping**

CLEARING ROADS &
BUILDING SITES
SNOWPLOWING & SANDING

LAWN MOWING
LAWN CARE
TREE WORK

PO Box 382, Monterey, MA 01245
(413) 528-5559

PRIVATE WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITIES

Moratorium on Permits for Private Wastewater Treatment Facilities

In accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter III, Section 31, and under every other power thereto enabling, the Monterey Board of Health adopted the following regulation for Private Wastewater Treatment Facilities at its regularly scheduled meeting on March 27, 1989:

"Effective immediately from the effective date of this regulation, the Board of Health will not issue any permits or approvals for the construction, reconstruction, installation, modification, or use of any private wastewater treatment plant which disposes of effluent into the ground. This regulation shall apply to, but not be limited to, plants serving residential, commercial, municipal, industrial, multifamily and multiple lot nonresidential uses, residential subdivision, and buildings constructed pursuant to a Comprehensive Permit under G. L. c. 40B, sect. 20 et seq."

The Board has determined that the cumulative environmental and public health concerns posed by the use of private wastewater treatment plants in the hydrogeologic and soil conditions which prevail in the Town of Monterey dictate that it must exercise particular caution in acting upon applications for permits or approvals for such plants. Therefore, it has decided not to issue any such permits or approvals pending the final conclusions and recommendations of the forthcoming Generic Environmental Impact Report presently being prepared by the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs, and pending the outcome of any further studies the Board deems necessary to enable it to protect the public health and welfare in considering the siting of these plants.

If any provision of this regulation is declared unlawful by a valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this regulation. This regulation shall take effect upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the Town of Monterey, and shall be filed with the Department of Environmental Quality Engineering.

MONTEREY BOARD OF HEALTH

THE ROADSIDE STORE
SOUTH COUNTY'S GREATEST
HOMESTYLE BREAKFAST
(LUNCHES, TOO)

SELF-HELP CRAFTS GOURD FARM CRAFTS

• SNACK BAR & GRILL
• HOMEMADE BAKED GOODS
• GASOLINE & SUNDRIES

RTE. 23, MONTEREY 528-2633

OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK
WEEKDAYS 7:30-5:50 SAT 9-5:50 SUN 9-3



CHURCH NEWS

What do the following have in common—a closet, house, sanctuary and street? Give up? Each is an integral part of a wholistic view toward worship. The closet symbolizes the individual's need for prayer and meditation. We all need times of cloistered solitude when we can explore our personal spirituality. The house becomes the place of fellowship, a primary environment where we can share, learn and grow in our faith together. But, there is also a need to gather in the context of celebration where rituals (old and new) help us affirm our role as God's children—that's the sanctuary. Yet, worship (if it is truly the "work of the people") doesn't end with the Sunday morning benediction. The "service" continues as we walk through the doors and out into the street.

If a church is to grow into a mature understanding of its mission and ministry, it must recognize that worship is the core, the hub from which everything else radiates. And worship is not merely coming to church on Sunday morning. I've had experiences where a Sunday worship service is the most unworshipful event I've had all week. Authentic worship is the integration of these four environments that affirm personal faith, communal fellowship, corporate celebration and responsive living. The seeds of worship are planted in private devotion, watered with caring, nurtured in liturgy and blossom into committed action and involvement.

We at the church are in the process of sharing what it means to be people who must dust the cobwebs from our closets, open our houses with hospitality, gather joyfully in the sanctuary and work faithfully in the rutted streets of human need. As we study and dialogue my hope is that we will begin to comprehend more clearly what it means to be the church at worship and work in Monterey. What is it that we have to offer to the broader community? How can we effectively identify and meet the needs of those around us? What impact can we make for peace in a world filled with injustice and oppression?

We welcome your ideas, comments and insights as we put the pieces of our ministry together.

Peace,

Cliff Aerie

ALSO: The Good News Gang rides again!

Children (kindergarten through sixth grade) are invited to a time of fun and learning. We'll meet at the church on the four Friday nights in May (5, 12, 19, 26) from 5:30 until 7:00 p.m. Bring a sandwich and be prepared for a great time!

MONTEREY SUMMER FESTIVAL TO BE JULY 15

The festival brainstorming meeting, April 11, was attended by Donna Bartell (Arts Council, Girl Scouts, Food Coop); Mickey Friedman (Kids Club Theater); Mary Wallace, Patricia Holohan, Anne Vickerman and Tolitha Butler (Grange); Ellen Pearson (Conservation Commission); Gordon Hamm (Police Dept.); David Feinberg, Frank D'Amato (Arts Council); Jason Brown (Arts Council, Kids Club Theater).

The Arts Council is interested in a chamber music concert on Friday night, July 14 (tickets \$7-8) and a festival interspersed with music the next day. There was general agreement on a parade, and the police can close Route 23 for that, but probably not any longer than that. There might be music in different areas, such as the beach, Greene Park, and Bidwell Park. There could be an historical map, walks, bike rides, wagon rides.

The name "Monterey Summer Festival" was agreed upon, and the following people agreed to coordinate specific activities and events: Parade—Ellen Pearson (528-1988); Food—Milly Walsh (528-4257); Entertainment—Jason Brown (528-5614); booths for Town committees, speakers, and craftspeople—Bob Thieriot (528-9266, call 7-8 a.m. or after dark); publicity and art exhibit—Frank D'Amato (528-3723) and David Feinberg (528-0228); set up/clean up—Donna Bartell (528-5874) and Mickey Friedman (528-9200).

Also needed: coordinators for budget and for T-shirts. We'll need to cover costs. One suggestion was that booths for exhibits would be free but those offering things for sale would contribute to the festival funding: \$5 for food sales; \$10 for town craftspeople; out-of-town craftspeople, \$20-25.

Ideas Needed for T-Shirt Design: Bring your ideas and designs to the next meeting, Tuesday, May 9, at 7:30 p.m. in the Church social room. There will be just enough time for printing them if we can agree on a design.

There will also be a need for a coordinator of children's activities. Are there scout leaders, teachers, grown-up kids, who can help with this essential part of the festival?

The Monterey Road Race can be the kick-off event on the big day, Saturday, July 15. Bob Gauthier has agreed to arrange it for that day. The parade could then follow, right after the races are over.

All of this is still in the formative stage, and responses are encouraged from anyone who has ideas about any of these plans. Please note: the next meeting is Tuesday, May 9, at 7:30 p.m. in the Church Social Room.

— Donna Bartell

GIRL SCOUT COOKIES

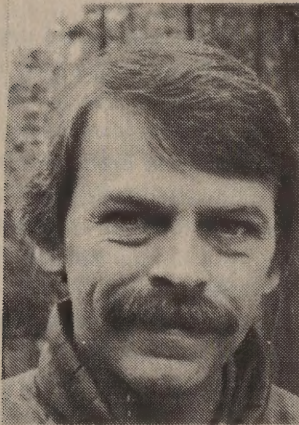
For those of you who were missed by the Monterey Junior Girl Scout troop at cookie-ordering time, I have several extra boxes of each kind for immediate sale. The cost is \$2.50 per box—it goes to a good cause, as our troop keeps \$.40 for each box sold. We use the money for badges, supplies and trips. Please call me if you would like to buy a box or two.

— Eileen Clawson
528-4835

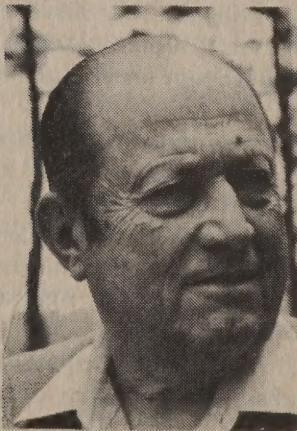
BALLOT FOR TOWN MEETING — May 6, 1989



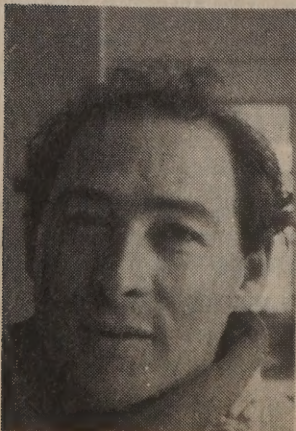
Cynthia Weber, D



Rudolph J. Gero, D



William H. Bohn, D



A. Mark Mendel, R

BOARD OF APPEALS for a three-year unexpired term. **Dean Amidon (R)**, who has lived in Monterey for 35 years, was chairperson of the Board of Appeals when it was first formed. He is the president and organizing force of the Lake Garfield Association. He retired as District Highway Engineer for Western Massachusetts in 1987. He was appointed to fill this term temporarily and is now running for election to complete it.

Cynthia Weber (D) was in the Town offices from 1975 to 1987, first on the Board of Appeals, then as Assessors' Clerk; and lastly as Assistant Assessor. She was on the Finance Committee from 1965 to 1977. "It was a useful overlap," she says. "Assessor information relates to finance concerns. I think I know the ropes and the responsibilities." **BOARD OF APPEALS** for five years. **Peter Murkett (D)**. Candidate for re-election.

ASSESSOR for three years: **Michael J. Banner (R-D)**. Candidate for re-election.

CEMETERY COMMITTEE for three years. **Rudolph J. Gero (D)** is on both the Solid Waste and Roads and Machinery Committees. He is an alternate to the Regional Planning Commission, and has twice been a delegate. He, his wife Linda, and his daughter Kimberley live on the Main Road. He works at the Kimberley-Clark Corporation in Lee.

Thomas B. Thorn (R), a lifetime resident of Monterey, lives with his wife and daughters on Lake Garfield. He was a respiratory therapist for eleven years and now has opened his own business, Wild Geese Outfitters, in Great Barrington. He is a private plane pilot, and was Republican Town Chairperson for five years.

CONSTABLE for three years. **Raymond W. Tryon (R-D)**. Candidate for re-election.

FINANCE COMMITTEE for one-year unexpired term. **William H. Bohn (D)**, after visiting Monterey for forty years, became a permanent resident in 1988. He has made a specialty of rehabilitating companies which are in trouble. He is on the committee hoping to bring cable TV to Monterey.

Greta Cherneff (R) moved to Monterey last year from Chicago, where she ran a bookkeeping service for small businesses; she hopes to have clients in this region now. Her three children are grown. But she says she has always been active in local volunteer civic affairs.

FINANCE COMMITTEE for three years. **Sheldon E. Fenn (R-D)**. Candidate for re-election.

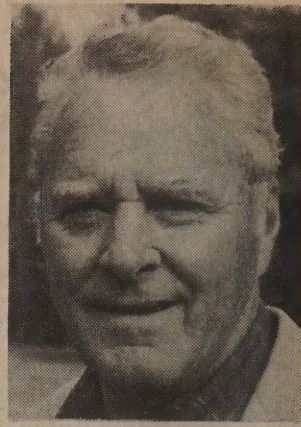
LIBRARY TRUSTEE for three years; vote for two.

Anne Marie Makuc (R-D). Candidate for re-election.

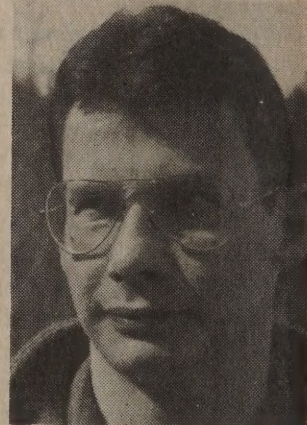
Jane G. Bohn (D) moved to Monterey as a permanent resident in 1988 and lives with her husband and her son in a lakeshore house. Previously she ran a gift shop in Cincinnati.

A. Mark Mendel (R), a mason contractor and an artist, has lived in Monterey with his wife Tracey since 1982; now they have two small potential book borrowers. He feels that his experience in the building trades would be useful in the maintenance of the library physical plant. But most importantly, he says, "I'm a reader."

MODERATOR for one year. **Mark Makuc (R-D)**. Candidate for re-election.



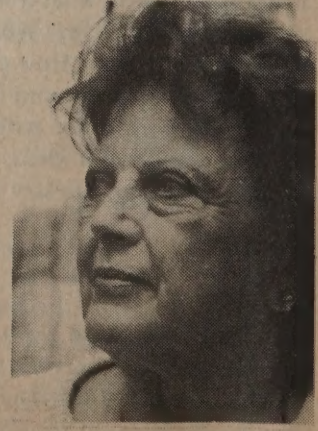
Dean P. Amidon, R



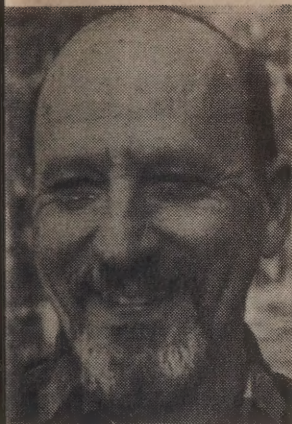
Thomas B. Thorn, R



Greta Cherneff, R



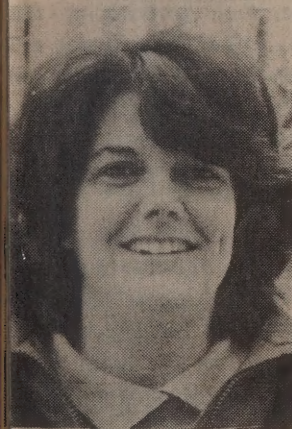
Jane G. Bohn, D



Richard Nault, R



Joyce Scheffey, D



Evelyn Vallianos, R-D

PARK COMMISSION for three years. **James J. Thomas (R-D)** was born in the Berkshires and is happy to be back. He and his wife Tari are renovating one of the former Avalon School buildings; both teach in the Lenox school system. Their daughter Carly, three years old, will have a sibling by the time this is printed. Jim is the man who had the know-how to direct the Commission in setting up the skating rink in the Fire Company pavilion last winter, and he organized the hockey games there.

PLANNING BOARD for a three-year unexpired term. **Richard Nault (R)**, a civil engineer born in Great Barrington and recently retired from Honeywell, has settled in Monterey and helps his wife with the running of Encores Antiques in Stockbridge.

N. Robert Thieriot (D), appointed in December to fill this vacancy until the election, is thoroughly familiar with the revisions of the by-laws now in progress. A transplanted Californian who has lived here for ten years, he has worked on the Solid Waste, Open Space, and Affordable Housing Committees, as well as on the Monterey Land Trust.

PLANNING BOARD for five years. **Joyce Scheffey (D)** came on the Board in February to serve out an unexpired term. She now seeks election to a full term. She is active in the Monterey Land Trust and serves on the Solid Waste Committee. In 1988 she completed a course in Land Development Law at the Berkshire Community College.

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE for two years. **Evelyn Vallianos (R-D)**, was on the Monterey Informational Team, which considered plans for the new school construction recently authorized for Sheffield. She is on the School Improvement Council for elementary schools in this district, and has a troop of Cub Scouts in Great Barrington. She lives on Bidwell Road with her husband Peter and their three children.

SELECTMAN for three years. **Matt O. Williams (D)**. Candidate for re-election.

TAX COLLECTOR for three years. **Henry J. Makuc (R-D)**. Candidate for re-election.

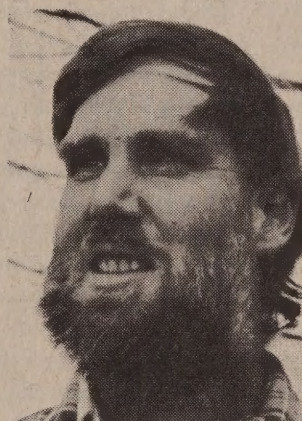
TOWN AUDITOR for one year. **Hans T. Kessler (R-D)**. Candidate for re-election.

TOWN TREASURER for three years. **Maryellen A. Brown (R-D)**. Candidate for re-election.

TREE WARDEN for one year. **Roger C. Tryon (R-D)**. Candidate for re-election.



James J. Thomas, R-D



N. Robert Thieriot, D



ERIC PEDERSEN

general contractor

NEW HOMES
ADDITIONS
RENOVATIONS

Over 10 Years
Experience
Fully Insured

Route 23, Monterey, MA 01245
(413) 528-4731



For Reservations
Write or Telephone:
413-528-3371

On Lake Garfield
in the Berkshires
Monterey,
Massachusetts 01245

Lakeside
Terrace

PLANNING BOARD NEWS

On Friday evening, April 21, the Planning Board held a public hearing to discuss proposed amendments and additions to the zoning bylaws. Chairman Joe Baker introduced the other members of the Board including Barbara Tryon, Wayne Burkhardt, Bob Thieriot, and Joyce Scheffey. He then went on to give a brief recent history of Town planning in Monterey and indicate that the purpose of the meeting was both to introduce the new proposals and to get feedback from the townspeople.

The first order of business was to review the terms of the bylaws and their definitions. There were new terms such as "Common Driveway," "Roadline," and "Soil Disturbance." There was some question on an aspect of the "Roadline" definition; if no surveyed line exists for a lot the roadline would be "a line parallel to the center line of the traveled way and 25 ft. therefrom." Dick Tryon voiced an objection to the term "traveled way" and thought "right of way" would be more appropriate. Apparently the "traveled way" is subject to change over a period of time, and Mr. Tryon believed that this definition would result in "... stealing land from one person and giving it to another." Roger Tryon mentioned that the measurement of 25 ft. from the centerline of the roadline assumes that most of the roads in Monterey are at least 50 feet wide. He suggested that this is not always the case and advised a reworking of the definition in the interest of accuracy. The Planning Board is proposing to include docks in its definition of "structure." Dean Amidon was concerned that docks are already under the jurisdiction of the Massachusetts Division of Waterways, and this could cause a conflict.

By far the most dramatic proposal of the Planning Board was the concept of a Rural Residential/Conservation District (please see map). The shaded areas on the map show the proposed regions for this new district. Current zoning laws require minimum lot dimensions of two acres with 200 feet of road frontage; in the new Rural Residential/Conservation District, minimum lot dimensions would be four acres with 300 feet of road frontage. Chairman Joe Baker explained that the new zoning would help protect environmentally sensitive areas such as aquifers and slopes. Nancy Kalodner suggested banning all construction in sensitive areas, an idea which the Planning Board had considered but subsequently realized would not be legal. Maynard Forbes asserted that this new zoning would cut the density in these areas in half. Concern for the financial impact that this new zoning would have on the town was expressed; however, no one on the Planning Board was ready to address this question. Finally it was stated by Dean Amidon that the Rural Residential/Conservation District would

comprise over 50% of the town excluding Beartown State Forest.

Another proposal was to create new minimum lot dimensions in the Lakeshore District according to the grade of the existing slope. A less than 12% slope would be zoned two acres with 200 feet of frontage, 12%-15% slope would require four acres with 300 feet of frontage, and a slope greater than 15% would require six acres with 400 feet of frontage.

Stream and Pond Protection is a new section of the proposed zoning bylaws recommending restrictions in the placing of leaching systems and structures near bodies of water. Leaching systems should be at least 150 feet from the high water line of "any stream, pond or other body of water." Lots deeded prior to the new bylaws may install a disposal system "at a reduced distance but not below the minimum set in the State Environmental Code, Title 5." Dwellings, parking areas over 600 square feet, and impervious-surfaced parking or recreational areas larger than 300 square feet will be required to be at least 75 feet from the mean high-water line, unless a special permit is obtained from the Board of Appeals.

Erosion is a concern of the Planning Board, and they proposed a series of directives to control erosion and sedimentation, including retaining walls, stabilization through planting certain plants, and the introduction of an Erosion and Sedimentation Control Plan (ESCP) which must be completed and approved before any soil disturbance or grade changes are undertaken.

Driveway permits are required, as in the past, and driveways would have new design requirements in the new bylaws. These specifications address the drainage, grade and location of driveways in order to prevent water or sediment draining into the road. There are also requirements for the "Common Driveway" which are new to the bylaws: not more than three dwellings per driveway. Anyone violating the requirements is subject to a fine of \$50.00 per day. The Planning Board believes that this will put some "teeth" into the new regulations, which will be enforced by the Selectmen.

During the discussion of Building Permits there were several objections to a proposal requiring citizens to obtain a permit before installing or altering any equipment regulated by the Massachusetts Building Code. Some of the townspeople felt that this would involve undue bureaucracy and monies for situations such as replacing a furnace or installing a stove.

The Planning Board was interested in all suggestions made at the meeting and will consider them before their final draft of the bylaws.

— Maggie Leonard

J. OWEN

*Spring Plowing and Harrowing
Stonework
Stone Restoration
Forest Management*

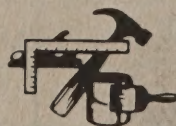
Write for quotes to:

PO Box 261

Monterey 01245

(413) 528-2095

7 to 8 p.m.

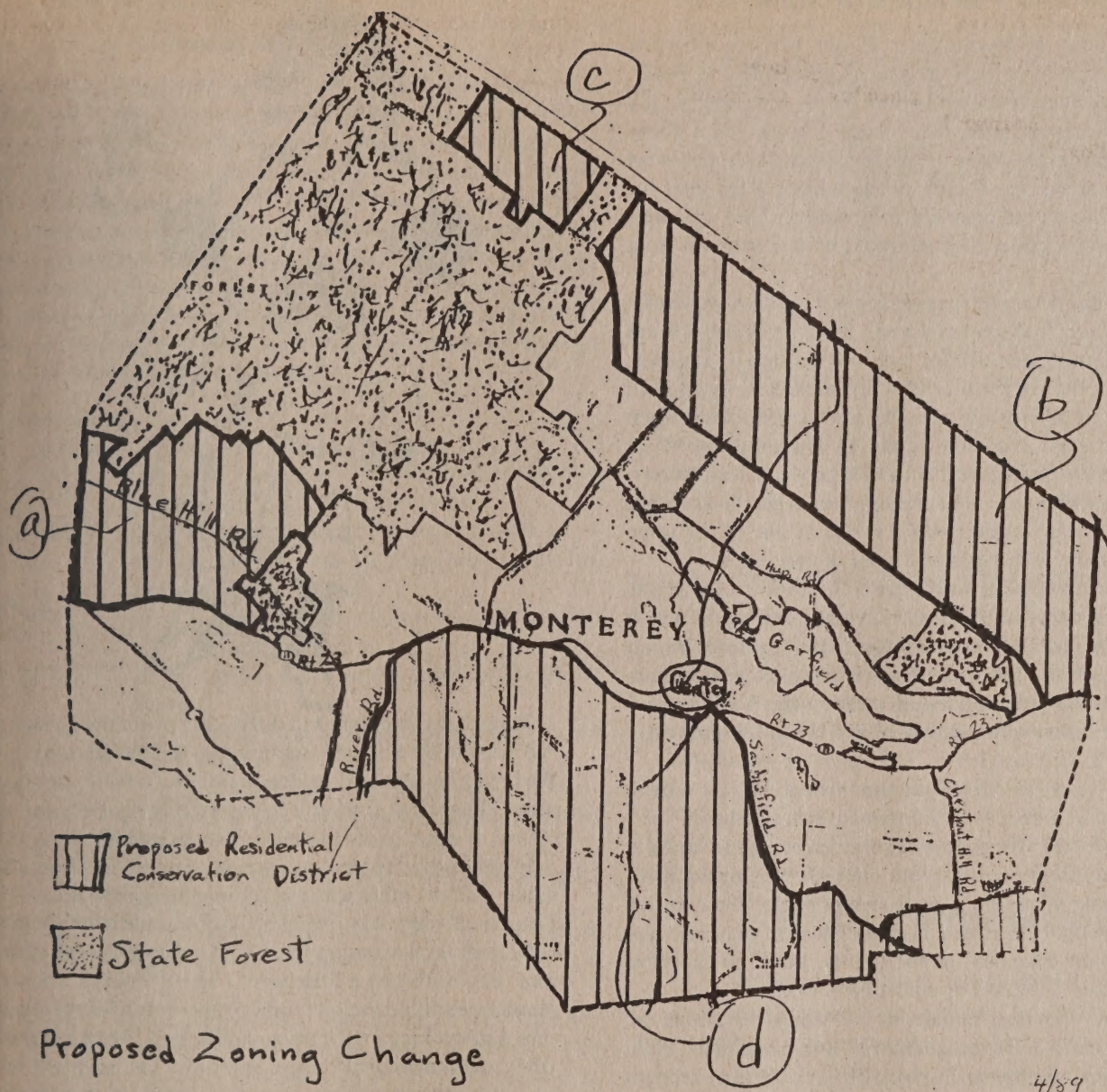


HEARTWOOD JOINERS

FINE CABINETRY, CARPENTRY
&
WORKERS OF WOOD

PAUL CARTER
684-0634

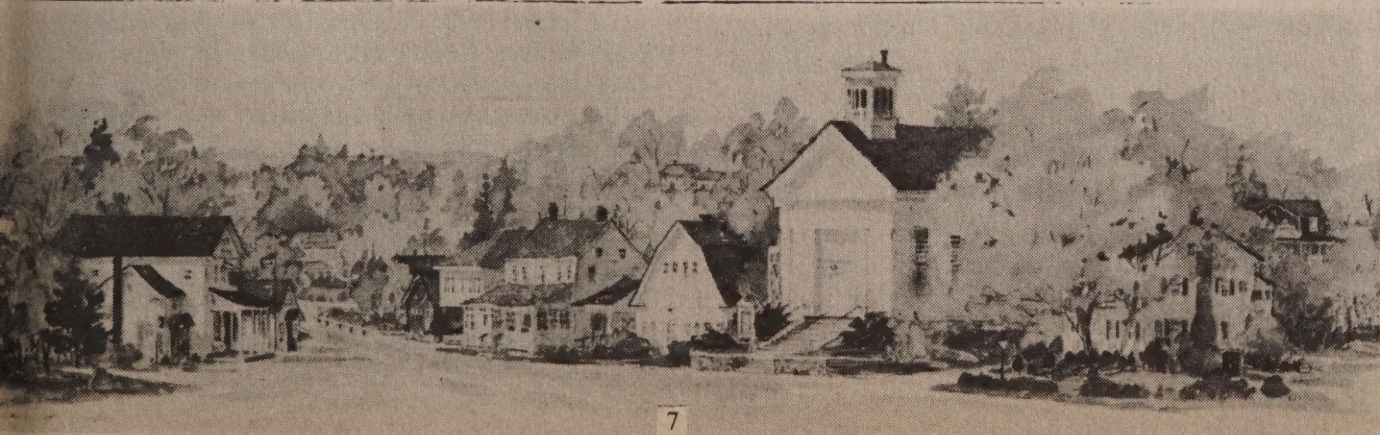
DAVE STRAIGHT
528-3773



4/89

Monterey
by Leonard Weber

A LIMITED EDITION TOWNSCAPE PRINT 50⁰⁰ PLUS
3⁰⁰ SHIPP'G. FRAMED (15 X 36) 140⁰⁰ PLUS SHIPPING,
PACKING. HAYLOFT GALLERY, MONTEREY STAGE,
BOX 11, GREAT BARRINGTON, MASS 01230
413-628-1806



BABY JONAS AND THE PRICE OF MILK

Jonas was born the morning after Easter, between three and four a.m. By breakfast time he was all dried off and fluffy, hopping about like a black-and-white bunny with long gangly legs. His mother is our milk goat, Chives, and every year about this time she brings forth one or two lovely little kids; the sweet young blood of spring. There's nothing like a baby goat for clearing the disposition after a dreary winter. They are innocence itself, and the way they gambol about is irresistible, at least for us.

None of us has been able to resist Jonas these past two weeks, but especially our four-year-old Sudi. She carries him around adoringly, shouting her love for him into his slim bunny ears. Jonas' mother, though she produces fine milk, has always been unpredictable in other ways. She, like some goats I knew when I was four years old, is a child-butter. I knew goats like her at my nursery school and I gave them a wide berth, on their tethers. Every once in a while one of us children would get too absorbed in some game and wander within range of one of the huge creatures. Wham! The head of a goat is very hard.

Sudi has been knocked down several times since Jonas was born, but still she visits him over and over. Sometimes he breaks away from his mom to flirt with Sudi. He's so little he can squeeze through the fence, which he often does. He prances up to Sudi with his little hackles up, tucks his head, and waltzes away from her to crow-hop down the driveway. She goes after him, shrieking with laughter.

When he was a week old we put him through his first ordeal, our second act of authority as a dominant species (the first was arranging his birth). We got him disbudded and banded. Now he will have no pointy horns to put out little girls' eyes and no testicles to make him into a great smelly buck. These minor operations brought on major discussions with our children. As subdominant members of the family, they too accepted unquestioningly our decision and our reasons.

If Jonas had been born female, we still would have done the disbudding, which is burning out the little horn-buds while they are small so no horns develop. Most dairy-goat keepers prefer their animals without horns so they won't get to fooling around and snag a precious udder. We've sold quite a few female kids to people who wanted a good family milk supply. I wonder how they are figuring the price.

There's been a lot of overdue talk about animal rights lately, also concern for the future of the family farm. Here's how far I've come in my thinking. If you want to eat eggs, then you have to be prepared to pay the price for humane treatment of the chickens that lay the eggs. This means you shouldn't be able to get them for under two dollars a dozen, at least. The reason they're so cheap now is because the egg business, in most cases, is a horrible affair in which hens are kept four to a tiny cage. They never see the light of day and never do a natural hen-type thing except eat and lay eggs. It's a factory, but most of the machinery is alive.



When I say two dollars a dozen, I'm probably guessing low. Ask somebody who sells organic eggs laid by free-ranging hens. We have chickens and we don't really keep books on them anymore. There are eight old hens and one rooster, and we get plenty of eggs, probably more than are really good for us.

In the milk department, we have two does, one who is a milker and the other who is a companion for the milker. That's Frances. She gets hay, which we buy or trade labor for (actually right now we are trading eggs). Chives gets grain, which we buy, and they both lick a little salt. There's fencing, shelter, and maybe we should include some property tax for their nice pasture. I'm working on the price of milk, now. There's aggravation when the fencing isn't up to snuff and the goats get into the orchard and start stripping trees; sometimes there is the cost of new trees.

They don't just give us milk, of course. There is the great pleasure we have in seeing them every day. They are handsome creatures and a lovely sight every time we come home from the shopping center and the highway. We have the joy of their company, and now of course we have Jonas.

We have never before named the males because their fate is sealed from the moment their chromosomes line up. Little boys, goats, except for an occasional breeding buck or pet, go to the meat market. I think when we named Jonas this year we acknowledged that for us the price of milk had just sky-rocketed to include finding a good home for this little guy or else keeping him ourselves. We'll pay for advertising (not so expensive) but then if no one wants him (and he can't go just anywhere) we have a lot of fence-upgrading to do, and more hay to buy. And what about next year? What if Chives has two little boys? We're sunk if we name them. I know that now. Our old mentor Scott Nearing used to say, "milk is for baby animals." This time next year we may be feeding three goats and drinking soymilk.



BEARTOWN STATE FOREST

All Quiet on the Western Front

War correspondent's log from one of the many environmental fronts: Although the spring rains have brought a welcome cleansing of the earth and a replenishing of our wetlands they have also provided the annual muddy playground favored by the conscienceless few. It is on the drizzly morning of April 16, while on a routine inspection of Beartown, that the perpetual bleakness of this environmental degradation sinks in. At this moment it is difficult to appreciate the inherent natural beauty of this wild place for, while dodging the potholes and washed out culverts, my mind wanders to the list of incidents reported thus far this fine spring season.

Observation

Date	Abbreviated Incident Log
3/27/89	Two sign boards torn from their post at head of Pond Loop Trail, Benedict Pond.
3/27/89	New pressure-treated benches torn from landscaping project, Benedict Pond beach. Benches not recovered.
3/28/89	Two stone fireplaces/chimneys in CCC camp painted with graffiti.
3/29/89	A GE clothes dryer was dumped on the Beebe Road.
3/29/89	The campground lawn area was destroyed by truck tires.
3/29/89	A picnic table was smashed in campsite #6.
3/30/89	The public pay phone was smashed, Benedict Pond.
3/30/89	Lawn area in boat ramp/hikers' parking lot destroyed by truck tires.
4/6/89	Two bags of household trash and numerous beer cans were strewn about the Benedict Pond comfort station parking lot.
4/14/89	A logging skidder was started up overnight and driven through a bridge guard rail, breaking the rail and two posts, at East Brook in South Lee.
4/15/89	Extensive trash remains from party in campsites #5 & 6.
4/15/89	Door on women's outhouse torn from hinges and presumed burned, Benedict Pond campground.
4/15/89	Picnic table burned in CCC camp.
4/16/89	Map box destroyed and all maps gone, hiker's parking lot.

Except for the worsening condition of the main road, a routine season thus far. We have had one successful determination of guilt in one of the incidents where the guilty party did perform voluntary laborious restitution. The main entrance sign in South Lee that was stolen at the Christmas Holiday did mysteriously turn up outside the October Mt. headquarters. Minor successes like these do help keep the environmental soldiers' morale up for a time, but the onslaught continues unabated.

On the larger front, at the environmental pentagon in Boston, the newly appointed Secretary of Environmental Affairs, John De Villars, is gearing up state forces to more aggressively combat illegal dumping on state lands, that being perhaps the

most rapidly growing form of environmental crime. Let us hope that what that means is that illegal dumpers and the like will get more than the slap on the wrist that has usually been the punishment. I think that public embarrassment (not to be confused with public stocks), hefty fines, and some time in the local hoosegow (yes, folks, a day or two in the slammer for the good neighbor who leaves his or her household trash or appliance at the road site, the Lake Garfield trash barrels, Benedict Pond, or your front lawn) would be an effective deterrent.

And so the ramblings of an embittered war correspondent go on. I know that soon the sun will shine again, the earth will warm, the potholes will once again be filled, and on the surface this Forest will be made beautiful to the casual eye. But take it from one person at the front, the war goes on with no end in sight.

I just thought that it needed to be said.

— Tom O'Brien

TEA FOR GEORGIANA O'CONNELL

This June, after 22 years of teaching in our district, Georgiana O'Connell is retiring. There will be a tea held in her honor on Sunday, June 4, from 2-4 p.m. at New Marlboro School. All students, parents, colleagues and friends are cordially invited to stop by and join in the celebration of Gige's many years of dedicated service.

Get the Jump on Spring

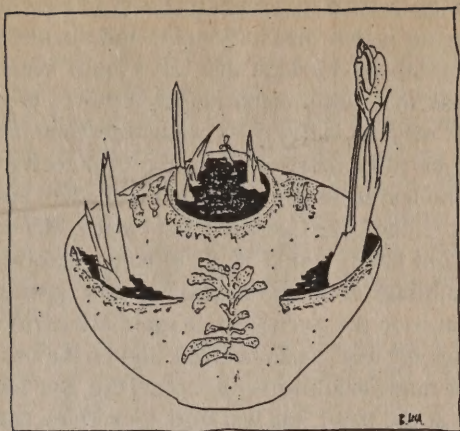
Screen plantings, foundation plantings
Lawns installed, pruning, construction of
stone walls, walks, and patios as well as
railroad tie construction
of walls and steps.

All projects designed by Mike Samborski.

Get the jump on spring
and call Mike Samborski
(formerly Larry Weaner Landscape)

528-4310

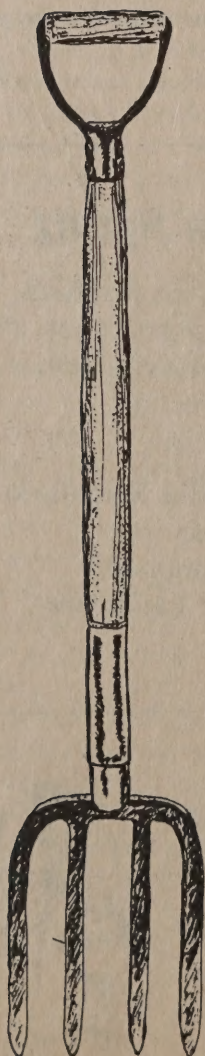




THIS MORNING

Through my blue window
tender air
the first chirrup of spring
and from the white birches
the gold wonder
they sing
sunwarm on my pillow
tender dream
right where your head lay
and I stretch through your kisses
and smile up
at day.

— A. O.



WORDS

All that is lovely never fades nor dies
But passes into distant, treasured mist:
The mountain's bowl, sky slipping down
to hills,
Language of love—a letter you have
kissed.
Some moth-old words have eloquent
new meanings
Awaken dreams, give tension strange release,
Like someone coming from a shadowy chamber
With papers' dusty, wondrous, ageless peace.
Yet other words in nestling, grave repose,
All stupidly on foolscap sullen lie,
They will not budge nor get in motion going
No matter how I urge them with a cry.
Thus sad I muse—my pencil stabs
a hole,
And once more deep thoughts slumber
in my soul.

B.M.A.



NIGHT WIND

*A tumult of runaway winds
Is thronging through the rigging of my woods.
The pines hiss, the birches snap their twigs;
Oak and ash thrash their bare branches
In a rattle of castanets.*

*The winds pour across the hillside
Tuning the harp strings of the stiff-twigged
Treetops that then fall still.*

*Another horde of wild lungs
Find their tongues in the maples
Across the brook. A flicker of lightning
Startles this night of dim stars
And ragged clouds.*

*I keep to the whispering meadow,
Afraid to be under the straining trees.
A sudden fierce spangle of rain
Slashes across my face.*

— David P. McAllester

TO A SONG SPARROW

*Welcome little sparrow
In your coat of somber brown,
Your song so sweet and lively
Earns you a shining crown.
You trill it in the sunshine
And in the morning rain;
Thrice welcome little songster,
The spring is here again.*

— Eleanor Kimberley

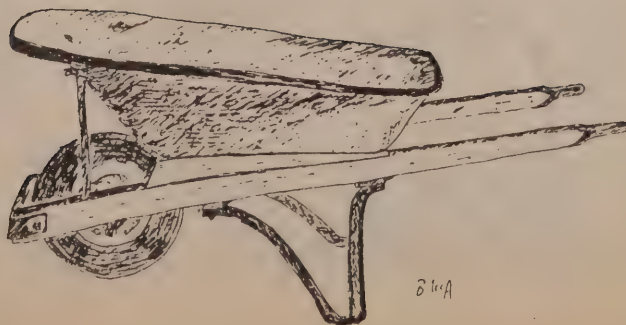


TWO HAÏKU

*Weaving blue-gray strokes —
sparkling shadows in a brook —
the weeping willow.*

*Among old gravestones
snowdrops silently appear —
a fleeting visit.*

— Ann M. LaVallee



PERSONAL NOTES

Hearty congratulations to **David Quisenberry** and **Jennifer O'Brien**, who were married March 11 in Ridgefield, Connecticut. **Keith Quisenberry** was best man for his brother, and **Eric Westenburg** was an usher. Many other young people from Lake Garfield attended the wedding as well. Following the ceremony, the couple enjoyed a honeymoon trip to Verbier, Switzerland. Dave is the son of **Karl** and **Shirley Quisenberry** of Bidwell Road, and grandson of **Donald** and **Velva Sabin**, formerly of Bidwell Road. Best wishes, all of you!

Hats off to **Tara Bradley**, who ran in the Boston Marathon this Patriots' Day and finished the 26-mile course in a very respectable four hours, 35 minutes. A dedicated Tara has been training for the marathon faithfully since January. Although her blisters broke about the 25th mile, two Guatemalan men appeared, seemingly from nowhere, and encouraged her to go that grueling "one more mile." Lots of family fans were in attendance. Mom **Maureen** of Blue Hill Road, siblings, cousins, aunts, and uncles watched in Wellesley, Tara's present home. There was a large and festive celebration following Tara's feat. Mom says Tara wanted to "do" the marathon just once, but that same day began speaking of next year's race. Go for it, Tara! By the way, is this the first or only "Monterey Connection" to complete the Boston Marathon? We cautiously extend that honor to Tara. Are there others?

Congratulations to **Patrick McBride**, who was one of eight boys selected from Mt. Everett's junior class to attend the American Legion's Boys' State program to be held at Bentley College in Waltham, June 17-23, and to **Anne Makuc**, who was one of four girls selected to attend Mass Girls' State to be held at Elms College in Chicopee on June 11-16. The programs are aimed at study of local and state government and to develop civic leadership. Good job, you two!

Applause to the following Mt. Everett junior high students who auditioned and were selected to participate in Western Mass. District Concerts. **Marta Makuc** was selected for band, and **Erin** and **Megan Sadlowski**, **Ann Gile**, and **Jordan Loder** were selected for chorus. Hats off to all of you!

Welles and **Kay Sellew** recently enjoyed a wonderful visit with good friends **Herb** and **Marion Wheeler** in Easthampton, Long Island. Was that a thunderstorm or the roar of their laughter we heard that weekend?

Very Happy Birthday wishes to **Eric Pedersen** on April 4, and to **Helen Shaw** on April 12, and to the IRS on April 17.

Thanks for your news items! Please jot your news down and drop it at the General Store, in the mail to me, just Route 23, or give me a call, 528-4519.

— Stephanie Grotz

TUNNELS: By Chris Guithart



LAKE GARFIELD STUDY FUND APPEAL

Donations are just starting to come in to help defray the cost of the Lake Garfield study. As mentioned last month, the Association committed \$2,120.00 to get the study started. Our depleted treasury needs your help. Send your contribution to Dean Amidon, President, Lake Garfield Association, Monterey, as soon as possible. And come to the Town Meeting on May 6 to support the warrant article for \$16,470 with which the Town will meet the rest of the expense!

I am pleased to inform you that the lake is "full up" and looking well. Fran and I have been out on the lake several times already in our Old Town canoe and observed, among other things, osprey, geese, ducks, beaver and muskrats, I even caught a five-pound bass.

The lake is gorgeous. Let's work to keep it that way.

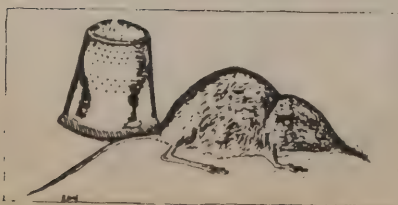
— Dean P. Amidon, Pres.
Lake Garfield Assoc.

Tea Room Antiques

LOCATED IN THE CENTER
OF MONTEREY ON RTE. 23
MASSACHUSETTS

10:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. JUDY DURLACK, Prop
Watch for May opening Residence Alford
(413) 528-0658





MONTEREY LAND TRUST NEWS

A motion was passed at the last meeting to write a letter to the DEQE to support their stand against a variance sought by Michael Dukakis and others. The variance would destroy 350,000 square feet of wetlands to create a lake in order to attract condo buyers to the Greylock Glen project (did I vote for this guy?).

The state is nearly ready to get the Woodburn Farm APR agreement to closing. The department of agriculture cannot enter into an agreement with a private organization, however. The Land Trust must thereby deliver monies it raised for the Town to the Town through the Conservation Commission.

Over the last few meetings the Land Trust has been focusing on ways to assist in providing affordable housing in Monterey. It is a complicated issue, but one which the Land Trust is committed to along with the conservation of land in Monterey and the preservation of the New England village as a way of life.

Representatives from the Land Trust attended a meeting of townspeople and organizations in Monterey wherein a discussion of a celebration of Monterey was held. There was a good turnout, and it was decided that the town should have a fair. The Land Trust intends to set up a booth and encourages other committees to do the same!

— Jason Brown



The road crew sweeps the winter sand out of the Center: Don Clawson, Bill Bynack (driving), Pete LePrevost, and Don Amstead.

SUSAN McALESTER



MONTEREY WASTELINES

Town, District, County, State, Nation . . .

Remember when you were a kid and decided to write a letter to a friend or relative in a distant place? You wrote the address on the envelope and, in fit of creativity and wonder about geopolitical boundaries you filled the address area with designations ending in "The Universe."

A new geo-political boundary will shortly be proposed to the citizens of the Town of Monterey. It will be called the Southern Berkshire Solid Waste District, and, if we were to join it, would operate much like the Southern Berkshire Regional School District. The area of this Solid Waste District would potentially include 13 towns in southern Berkshire County.

More information will be presented about the district soon, perhaps by Annual Town Meeting, and we will vote on the proposal at a Special Town Meeting in a month or so. For now, the important thing is for people to think about whether or not this district would be a good thing for our Town to join.

What would the solid waste district do? The first year or two would be dedicated to setting up procedures to coordinate activities which are now managed by individual towns. The recycling efforts which most towns are just now starting to develop could be tied in with the district for more efficient transportation. Hazardous waste collection could be done more often and more economically over a wider area and would be an early priority of the district. A district could begin working on better disposal facilities (such as a regional co-composting unit) which are not feasible for one town.

I have been meeting with the District study committee for the past several years, and am convinced that Monterey would benefit greatly by participating in a South Berkshire Solid Waste District. Many of the elements of our current system have just grown by default and no longer work for a single town, even our larger neighbors like Sheffield or Lee. We have outgrown the old Town dump method of disposal because of our modern materials and disposal practices — plastics don't rust, dry cells and spray cans contain excessive chemical concentrations and kitchen waste stinks if it's not composted. The brave new alternative of the last decade for most south county towns (except for Lee and Great Barrington, which still have landfills) has been to haul everything far away to the Connecticut River Valley. That's not a regional solution worthy of us.

We need to form a South Berkshire Solid Waste District. We need an organization large enough to handle this modern disposal problem, yet small enough to respond to our needs and ideals. We need to live with what we take from the earth and what we put back into it.

— Wayne Burkhart

WHO'S WHO IN MONTEREY

Joyce and Lewis Scheffey

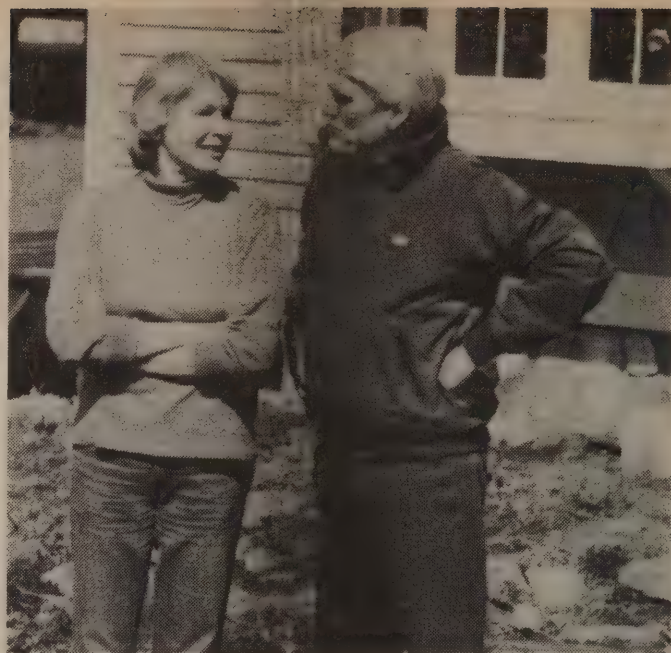
I interviewed Joyce and Lew Scheffey this past March at their beautiful home on Wellman Road. "We're a couple of odd birds," Mrs. Scheffey warned me in advance when we were setting up the appointment. I did not, however, find this to be true. Instead, I found them both to be fascinating people, with diverse interests and talents, and an unwavering commitment to our Monterey community.

Lewis Scheffey was born in Philadelphia in 1924. He studied economics at Williams College and then, for the next ten years, worked in the textile industry, making and selling machines that made stockings. From 1950 to the present he's been in the investment/venture capital business, concentrating mainly on high-tech companies specializing in bio-technology and new materials. In fact when we spoke Lew was planning an extended trip to Boston to try to solve some of the problems of a company which manufactures scanning electron microscopes. These incredible machines are capable of magnifying things 50-60,000 times. Additionally, what's so unique about this microscope is that it is capable of scanning samples in their natural state, perhaps wet or dirty, without their being chemically treated first.

Another, not quite so high-tech, enterprise which the Scheffeyes are involved in is the Monterey General Store, which they own jointly with Maynard and Gail Forbes. Mr. Scheffey remembers the store back in the 1930s when it was operated by the Miner Brothers. "I'm just happy that we're fortunate enough to be involved with the store; to carry on the long-standing tradition it has of serving the town."

Joyce was born in New York City. Her Australian father was killed in an airplane crash in 1930 when she was an infant. Her mother was an actress, necessitating that she move around a lot. Joyce attended boarding school and then Goddard College in Plainfield, VT. She then married and was a mother and housewife for, as she puts it, "ten wonderful years" in New York City. "I count my blessings to be born when I was. A career woman, I am not." In 1967 the family moved to London, where they lived for three years. She was widowed in 1974. (Lew is also a widower.) Before and after she was widowed, Joyce worked for six years in special education in New York State, and then, for four years, in the Public Relations/Program Department of a resort hotel in New Paltz, New York. It was then that Lew entered her life and the rest is history.

Currently, Joyce is active in town affairs. She's a member of



Joyce and Lew Scheffey

JIM LAFFEY

the Planning Board and is concerned with land preservation and affordable housing. "Many people feel these two areas are mutually exclusive, but it is definitely not so. Both must be addressed. We are lucky to have Leslie Scutellaro, who is an informed and articulate advocate for affordable housing. We must see that her committee has support."

The Scheffeyes both agree that "Monterey is certainly one of the more interesting and less spoiled communities. The land here is a resource for the future. It's our responsibility to develop it gently and graciously, not voraciously."

Lewis and Joyce have been married since May of 1981. They have five children between them from their previous marriages and four grandchildren. Though they both follow an exceedingly hectic schedule, they make a point of taking time out for rest and relaxation. Lew, who admits he's a "farm boy at heart" is an accomplished painter. His landscapes resemble those of Paul Cezanne (though he modestly denied it when I mentioned it). Joyce describes herself as an "intense, if haphazard, gardener." Both Joyce and Lew enjoy long walks. Lew can be found most early mornings jogging the back roads near his home. Black ice on Wellman Road has been known to stop him, but not much else.

— Jim Laffey



Nancy Dinan, Broker

FAX: 528-4809

Office 413-528-0014

*"God's Song is a rich cacophony
of divine melodies sung by
the human family. Woven into a
rainbow chorus we celebrate
together our journey of faith."*

COME SHARE THE SPIRIT!

The Monterey United Church of Christ
Sunday Worship Celebration
10:00 AM

THANKS

Many thanks to my neighbors, relatives, friends, and Monterey Grange for their cards and many kindnesses shown me during my hospital stay, and after I returned home.

— Eleanor Kimberley

GRANGE NEWS

Monterey Grange No. 291 met April 5 for a conversation and agricultural program under the leadership of Florence Brown. Susan Le Prevost of Monterey gave a very interesting program on herbs. A poem, "Spring," written by Eleanor Kimberley was read.

At the meeting on April 19, first degrees were conferred by the regular officers, and second degrees were conferred by Brother Sydney Smith. Deputy Peter Martin made his official visitation.

An exhibit on conservation and agriculture was arranged in the post office by Sisters Brown and Kimberley during Grange Week, April 23-29.

The next meeting will be May 3, when third and fourth degrees will be conferred. A public card party is planned for May 13.

— Mary Wallace
Lecturer

HAPPY HOME

CARPENTRY

Imagination & Common Sense

Vincent Scutellaro
413-528-9244

Monterey, MA
01245

NURSERY STOCK COMPOST

FRUIT TREES Roger C. Tryon

New Marlboro Road
Monterey, MA 01245
(413) 528-4091

Agricultural and Landscaping Services for Homes and Estates

- Landscape design and planting
- Tree care
- Stone walls and walks
- Bulldozer work
- Trucking
- Fencing
- Post hole digging
- Rototilling
- Field mowing
- Land clearing
- Bucket loader and material handling

BASEBALL IN MONTEREY 80 YEARS AGO

In 1909 a Big Four baseball league was formed consisting of Lee, East Lee, Tyringham, and Monterey; games were every Saturday afternoon at 1:30. The Monterey ball diamond was located one mile from the village on the Otis Road (now Route 23) across from Dr. Horn's summer home, on the land where Fred Leach built his house. There was a bench for the players to sit on but the onlookers had to sit on the stone wall or on the grass.

Edward Stobner was our manager and Fred Campbell was the umpire for all games played in Monterey. Bert Tryon from Tryon's Tea Room would come up with his freezer of ice cream and sell five-cent cones to anyone who had the money. Mr. Tytus, who had just built a mansion on the hill at the eastern end of Tyringham Valley, gave a silver cup to go to the team that won the most games.

Monterey won, though I forget what the score was! We had a good team and won most of the games we played. Here are the names of some of the players: Frank Carrington, Earl Loom, Joe Johnson, Ernest Hall, Edward Carrington, Jub Eihorn, Jack Burk, Irving Hall, and Perry Fargo. For substitutes we had Patsey Himes, Dr. E. Smith, Harry Gladwin, and Fred Prenn.

— Wallace Tryon

BACK COUNTRY OUTDOOR SERVICES

DAVID M. SMITH

Gould Road
Monterey, MA 01245
413-528-4358



Tree Work
Fencing
Clearing & Thinning
Hauling & Moving
Odd Jobs

FULLY INSURED

Local, reasonable, conscientious



Member Million
Dollar Club

Linda Rabiner Hebert
Broker, G.R.I., C.R.S., C.R.B.



REALTY WORLD

REALTY WORLD® — Hebert Realty, Inc.
Route #23, Monterey, MA 01245
Bus: (413) 528-3170/4880
Res: (413) 528-3440

Each office independently owned and operated



PARK COMMISSION NEWS

The Park Commission, with the support of the Monterey Fire Company and local businesses, is pleased to open the celebration of summer with "Let's Dance" on Saturday, May 27, at 8 p.m. in the firehouse.

This unique event will feature the big band sound of The Castaways, a seven-piece ensemble with a sound that will have everyone on his or her feet. Chosen from among seven groups, The Castaways presented the widest range of sound, spanning the '40s to the '60s. Aptly put by our music chairwoman, "It doesn't matter what the song is called as long as it makes you say 'Let's Dance!'"

This is a "fancy dress" event, an opportunity to dust off your best duds. In a town as unique as Monterey this will be interpreted in a variety of ways, undoubtedly with joyous results.

At this writing we are considering the offerings and costs of various caterers and food sources offering tasty finger foods, pastries, fruit, and cheeses necessary to maintaining energy levels. Wine, beer, soda, and coffee will be sold at a cash bar tended by fire department volunteers.

A remaining challenge will be to transform the firehouse and create the right ambience. Two talented local interior designers will be directing the task, and more volunteers are needed. Additional personnel are also needed for the final set-up at the end of May, and we need at least four paid (\$5/hour) volunteers to work the night of the dance.

The dance committee nucleus is formed by Maggie Leonard, Anne Moulton, Leonard Weber, Linda Gero, Estelle Bodnar, Cathleen and Dek Tillet, Tom Rosenthal, and Fran Amidon.

Space for "Let's Dance!" will be limited to 200 people. All tickets (\$10.00 each) will be sold in advance, and we expect them to sell out quickly. Don't end up all dressed with nowhere to go! Tickets will be available from any committee member, from The Roadside Store, from Barbara Swann at the Town offices on Saturdays between 9 a.m. and 12 noon. All revenue generated will be donated to the Monterey Fire Company in appreciation for their support of the town skating rink.

It is time again to direct our thoughts to the beach, and we are accepting applications for a certified lifeguard 18 years or older at \$6.50/hour, an assistant lifeguard at \$5.00/hour, and a parking attendant at \$5.50/hour. In addition, we are looking for a certified swimming instructor for our Red Cross swimming program for two weeks this summer, hopefully the first two weeks of July, at \$10.00/hour. Send any applications to Box 412 or contact Fran Amidon at 528-1233.

It's time to search those same attics and basements that turned up all those ice skates for some roller skates! We hope to announce a roller skating program in June that might include roller hockey. Let us hear from you.

— Tom Rosenthal



MONTEREY NATURE WALKS

A series of five nature walks, led by Bonner McAllester under the auspices of the Park Commission, will be offered in June and July for children ages 6-12. The group will be limited to the first ten who register and will be free of charge thanks to a grant from the Massachusetts Arts Lottery Council.

Bonner McAllester, known to readers of the *Monterey News* for her columns on natural history, is a teacher, naturalist, writer, and illustrator with 20 years' experience. Her nature walks will take place on Wednesdays, 9:00-10:30 a.m. June 21-July 19, and will begin and end in Bidwell Park. Each week she will focus on a different habitat, including discussion, identification, sketching, writing, and reporting orally to the group. On rainy days the classes will meet in the basement of the Monterey United Church of Christ.

These walks constitute a five-week course in the natural history of Monterey, and children are asked to register for all five weeks. Call Bonner McAllester at 528-9385 for further information and to register.

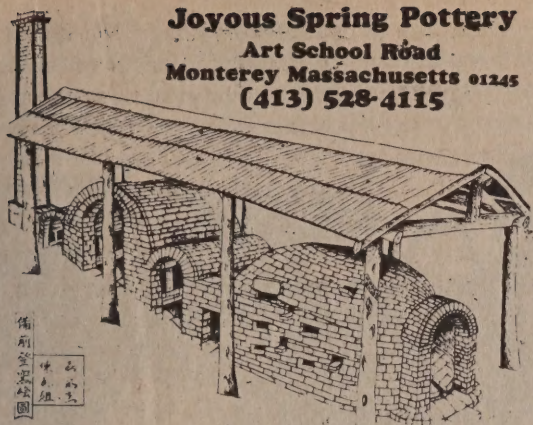


Woodcock

Specializing in Historic Restoration

CARLISLE CONSTRUCTION
NEW HOMES • ADDITIONS • RENOVATION

MONTEREY, MA
413-528-4627



MONTEREY MASONRY, INC.



MARK MENDEL 413-528-4136
 BOX 343
 MONTEREY, MASSACHUSETTS
 01245

- ▶ CUSTOM BRICK, STONE, AND STUCCO WORK
 - ▶ SPECIALIZING IN 18th AND 19th CENTURY RESTORATION
 - ▶ RUMFORD FIREPLACES
 - ▶ CHIMNEYS REPAIRED AND REBUILT
 - ▶ CERAMIC TILE WORK
- EXPERIENCED AND INSURED



Benchmark Real Estate

For personal, professional real estate services.

Monterey Office: 528-9595
 Otis Village Office: 269-4089

Nancy Kalodner, Broker/Realtor®

Walsh's Auto Repair

Foreign & domestic cars

Some work done overnight

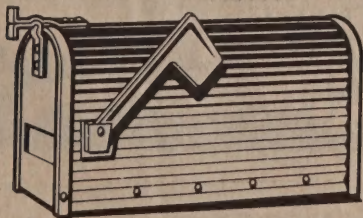
Custom pipe bending & welding

Hours: Mon-Fri 8-5, Sat 9-5

413-528-4257

Main Road, Monterey, MA 01245

"I build custom country contemporary homes. And I'll guarantee yours for as long as you own it."



Jim Laffey
Homebuilder

If you'd like more information, please call 528-5829 and ask to speak with Nancy Kalodner or Candice Piretti. They'll be happy to answer your questions and arrange an appointment for you to see a Jim Laffey home.

MONTEREY



GENERAL STORE

Serving Monterey for over 200 years

Route 23, Monterey
528-4437
Open 7 days a week



At the News solicitation party: Maureen Banner, Stella Bodnar, Elk Dempsey, Fran Amidon, and Bonner McAllester prepare to mail out letters asking for contributions.

DONATIONS TO OUR FUND DRIVE

The *Monterey News* sent out its new fund appeal on April 10, and enthusiastic responses are already coming in. We'll start a grateful listing of these names in the June or July issue, but here we'd like to express our appreciation for the contributions to last year's appeal that have come to us from December 21, 1988, to April 9, 1989. For their generous part in keeping the *News* alive we are beholden to:

Jean Germain	Ann & C. Henry Rydberg
John & Lois Ryder	Andrew & Elizabeth Steever
Hildegard S. Ryals	Dorothy E. Law
Carolee Jervas	Claudette Callahan
Adele Finger & Douglas Aiken	George H. McVey
Edwin & Joan Schur	Marjorie Brett Day
Debra Tyler	Emile & Robert Green
Mr. & Mrs. Marcel Pasche	Rachel Fletcher
Ruth Bernstein	Alfred & Schelley Emmel

KONKAPOT RIVER

The Berkshire County Regional Planning Commission (BCRPC) is looking for interested citizens to serve on a committee to protect and promote the Konkapot River. The Konkapot River project is funded by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Management and supported by the Town of New Marlboro. A major event planned for the Konkapot is a River Awareness Day during Rivers Month in June. A greenway plan will also be developed for the Konkapot with specific recommendations for protection and improvement of the river. Your support is needed!

Those interested in becoming involved please call Chrystal Shelley, Environmental Planner, Berkshire County Regional Planning Commission at 442-1521 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.



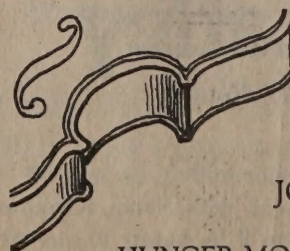
Transcendental Meditation Program

Invitation to Learn T.M.

Free Introductory Lecture

John Sellew
Certified Consultant
Non Profit Educational Service

P.O. Box 362
Monterey, MA 01245
413-528-1480/3722



Stringed Instruments
Made ~ Repaired
Adjusted

JOE BAKER

HUNGER MOUNTAIN INSTRUMENTS
BOX 332, MONTEREY, MASS. 01245
(413) 528-9385

HELENE A. BACKHAUS

Helene A. Backhaus, 94, died at home March 25, after a brief illness. She was born in Schrevenborn, Germany, the daughter of Richard and Maria Linving. She came to America as a young woman with her husband, Friederick Backhaus, and lived for several years in New York.

The couple moved to Sandisfield, where they owned and operated the Berkshire Summer Colony, a tourist resort. The Backhauses sold the resort in 1941 and later moved to Monterey. Mr. Backhaus died in 1978.

Helene leaves a son, Erwin, two grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

F. JUDD BECKWITH

F. Judd Beckwith died at the age of 90 in Jacksonville, Florida, March 21. He was a native of Monterey. He was preparing to go to engineering school at Lehigh College in Pennsylvania but left school to work in Cuba for five years as an overseer on a sugar plantation.

Mr. Beckwith went to Jacksonville in 1922 and worked in a plumbing and heating firm while studying engineering at night. In 1942 he founded the Henley-Beckwith Co., which installed mechanical systems throughout the Southeast. Fifteen years later he was co-founder of Tompkins-Beckwith, Inc., which became one of the nation's first mechanical contracting companies to receive a license for work on nuclear projects. He retired in 1988 to become the company's Chairman Emeritus.

His many civic activities included service in the vestry of St. Paul's Episcopal Church and the advisory board of the Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, and membership in the Rotary Club, the River Club, Duval Lodge No. 159 F&AM, the Scottish Rite Bodies, and Morocco Temple of the Shrine.

He is survived by his wife of 62 years, the former Marian Hopkins, two sons, Judd D. Beckwith and Henry H. Beckwith, both of Jacksonville; a brother, Donald R. Beckwith of Tallahassee; a step-brother, Joseph E. Empie of Jacksonville; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

C. EARL BALL

C. Earl Ball, 80, of Providence Court, Pittsfield, died April 17 at the Berkshire Medical Center. He was born in Boston, February 5, 1909, the son of Charles and Mary Lawlor Ball, and was a graduate of the Bentley School of Accounting.

He was an Army veteran of World War II and was employed as a taxi driver for Checker Cab of Boston. He retired in 1976 and moved to Monterey to the home of his niece, Selectman Georgiana O'Connell. He moved to Pittsfield last year.

REDDY REMODELING

WINDOW & DOOR REPLACEMENT
KITCHEN AND BATH SPECIALIST
INTERIOR ALTERATIONS

MONTEREY, MA. 01245

TELEPHONE
(413) 528-0017
LIC. # 042916

CALENDAR

Fridays, May 5, 12, 19, 26—"Good News Gang," at the Church, 5:30-7:00 p.m. Children from kindergarden through the sixth grade: Bring a sandwich and come for fun and learning.

Saturday, May 6—ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, from 10:00 a.m. in the firehouse. For rides to the polls, call 528-1382.

Tuesday, May 9—Monterey Summer Festival: open meeting for all who are interested in joining in the planning. 7:30 in Church social room.

Wednesday, May 10—Community Supper, 6:30 p.m. in Church social room. Dick Tryon will give a talk, with slides, on the safari he and Barbara joined in Kenya. Bring your favorite potluck dish and enjoy those of your neighbors.

Saturday, May 13—Square and Contra Dance, New England style, at the Sheffield Grange, Route 7, Sheffield, Mass. 8:30-11:30 p.m. Beginners and children welcome. All dances taught by caller Joe Baker, music by Mountain Laurel. Refreshments served. Adults \$4, children \$1, to dance until intermission. Information: 413-528-9385, or 518-329-7578.

Saturday, May 27—"Let's Dance," sponsored by the Park Commission at the Firehouse at 8:00 p.m. This is a fun fund-raiser for the Fire Company in gratitude for their great support in creating a Monterey Skating Rink last winter.

Saturday, May 27—Square and Contra Dance, New England style, at the Sheffield Grange. This program is for people who have done it before, 8:30-11:30 p.m. For other information see May 13 notice, above.

MOUNTAIN TRAILS

Bed & Breakfast



Rt. 23, Monterey, Mass. 01245
(413) 528-2928

John and Maureen Congdon

Specializing in country
homes and estates, vacation
homes, acreage and
commercial properties.

WILLIAM BROCKMAN
REAL ESTATE

FIDDLER TOP • MONTEREY • MASSACHUSETTS 01245
413 528 4859



Rick Mielke

Seasonal Caretaking/Landscaping

Professional Year-Round Maintenance of Your House and Grounds

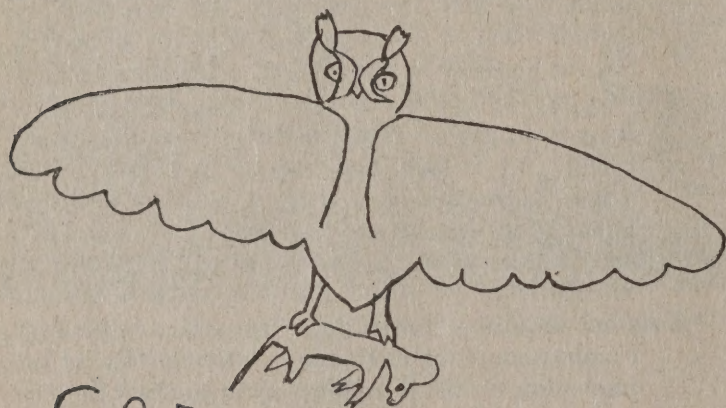
New Lawns, Gardens, Trees and Shrubs
Walkways and Retaining Walls
Field Mowing

14 years of professional service

FULLY EQUIPPED and FULLY INSURED

Main Road
Monterey, MA 01245

Call (413) 528-0864
We return your messages



GREAT HORNED
OWL
by Eoin Higgins

AD RATES

One-inch classified ads (1" x 3 3/8")	\$ 2.50
Two-inch business cards (2" x 3 3/8")	5.00
Three-inch ad (3" x 3 3/8")	7.50
Four-inch ad (4" x 3 3/8")	10.00

Back cover ads are double the above prices. No classifieds on the back cover. Copy should reach the editor by the 20th of the month before publication. In general, we cannot run letters more than one column in length.

Photos by Jim Laffey and Susan McAllester

Drawings by Maureen Banner, Chris Burkhart, Eoin Higgins and Bonner McAllester

RIDES TO THE POLLS

The Monterey Republican Town Committee is sponsoring rides to the polls on May 6 for the annual town elections. Anyone who needs transportation should call Mark Makuc, 528-1382. Please call ahead if possible, the earlier the better.

ATTENTION PARENTS WHEN SCHOOL'S OUT THEN WHAT?

**"Fill your kid's summer
with fun & adventure!"**

Resident Program: Traditional camping for boys 5-15,

Day Program: With an away camp atmosphere
for girls and boys 5 to 15. Mon. thru Fri. 8:45 to 4:30.

Apprenticeships available for limited number of teens

Write or Call for Brochure

Mr./Mrs. Mann

413-528-0940



CAMP HALF MOON

Box 188, Great Barrington, MA 01230

Editor
Business Manager
Art Editor
Personal Notes Editor
Typesetters

Reporters

Photo Editor and Layout
Sorting
Mailing Labels

David P. McAllester
Barbara Gauthier
Bonner McAllester
Stephanie Grotz
Pat Amstead
Eileen Clawson
Ellen K. Pearson
Jim Laffey
Susan McAllester
Stella Bodnar
Nancy Ancora and the
Gould Farm computer

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
MONTEREY, MASSACHUSETTS
01245

Nonprofit Organization
U. S. Postage
PAID
Monterey, MA
Permit #2